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## House Resolution No. 3993

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives wholeheartedly believe that a successful marriage forms a firm foundation for a lifetime of happiness and security and wish to salute an outstanding Missouri couple whose union confirms that philosophy; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Black, treasured residents of Bowling Green, Missouri, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary on May 19, 2007, with a festive celebration held at the Second Baptist Church in Bowling Green; and

**Whereas**, joined in marriage before the eyes of the Lord on May 8, 1957, Donald Black and Julia "Judy" Brown began their lives together as husband and wife after a memorable wedding ceremony; and

Whereas, a proud father and caring husband, Mr. Black provided a safe and secure future for his loved ones as a stellar employee of St. Louis County Justice Services for many years, while Mrs. Black enjoyed her family immensely and further distinguished herself as a member of the Bowling Green Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; and

Whereas, Donald and Judy Black attribute their fifty years of wedded success and happiness to their strong sense of faith and family, the foundation upon which they have planted the seeds of their love and respect for each other in the generations to follow which include their four children and their spouses, Deborah and Robert Ingram, Beverly and Michael Larson, Susan and Ken Kump, and Mark Black; their ten grandchildren, Derek Ingram and his wife, Katie, Jeremy Baker and his wife, Andrea, Ryne Ingram, Tyler Baker, Whitney Ingram, Kelsey Kump, Dylan Black, Brody Kump, Logan Baker, and Alex Black; and their two great-grandchildren, Layne Baker and Tucker Baker; and

Whereas, throughout their blissful union, Donald and Judy Black have remained devoted life partners and have put forth a tremendous amount of effort to ensure the sanctity of the vows they took so very long ago:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in a thunderous round of applause for Donald and Judy Black upon the glorious celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and in wishing them much peace and prosperity as they proudly continue their journey along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Donald Black.

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3993, adopted June 7, 2007.